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Hungarian Troops in Budapest, Eger, Szombathely and near Kismaros

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1. The motor pool of the Ministry of National Defense, Budapest, which included at least 200 sedans and 40 trucks of various types. The section for sedans was at 7 Ezredes Street, Budapest, and the section for trucks was on the Margit Island near the Stalin Bridge. Civilians served as drivers.

2. Major Kalman (fnu), about 50 years old, was the commanding officer of the motor pool. His deputy was Major István Zsepan, who was about 30 years old. The small number of military personnel at the motor pool wore brown service color; the officers and NCOs wore a winged wheel-shaped device. The motor pool was subordinate to an undetermined section of the Ministry of National Defense. The travel orders of Captain Antal Orban, a political officer, about 30 years old, who repeatedly occupied cars were invariably signed by Lieutenant General Nogradi (fnu). *

3. A new barracks installation south of the former Megrei barracks installation on the southern part of Bess Square and in the adjoining garden of the Cistercian Order, Eger (R 48/J 55), was nearly finished. The installation consisted of five three-story buildings and one one-story building. No information was available on its future occupation.

4. In July 1951, the tank unit which was stationed in the new barracks installation on the northwestern edge of Eger was in the summer camp about 3 km west of Egerbakta (Q 48/J 56), north of the Eger-Parad (Q 48/J 36) road. Eight tanks of an unidentified type were seen near the repair shop of the summer camp.

5. A border guard detail was located in a former monastery opposite the hospital in Szombathely (P 48/C 78) in December 1951.

6. A signal training division was located in the signal training camp near Kismaros (Q 48/H 56) during the period from March to September 1951. Source learned the name of this unit from his company commander who also said that this signal training division was only a temporary unit organized to train reservists and replacement reservists. The cadre personnel was furnished by signal unit postal No. 1785 in Vac.

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(Q 43/H 65). ** Five regiments numbered in consecutive order from 1 through 5 were subordinate to the division headquarters which simultaneously served as camp headquarters. The five regiments [REDACTED] were also referred to as the tenth, twentieth, fortieth, sixtieth and eightieth unit.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. Previous information on this motor pool was received in March 1949. The information on the service color contained in the present report is concordant with previous information.

** [REDACTED] Comment. The information contained in the present report confirms previous information. [REDACTED] can now be concluded that the signal unit in Vác which maintains radio communication with the army general staff and the 30th AAA Div in Budapest is the Signal School of the Hungarian Army.

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